## **Natural Resources Conservation Service**

# **Application Ranking Summary**

## **BBT Cropland – Irrigated GWMA**

Program:	Ranking Date:	Application Number:
Ranking Tool: BBT Cropland – Irrigated GWMA		Applicant:
Final Ranking Score:		Address:
Planner:		Telephone:
Farm Location:		

## **National Priorities Addressed**

Issue Questions	
Clean and Abundant Water: Water Quality - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
1. a. Meet regulatory requirements relating to animal feeding operations, or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	Yes O or No O
1. b. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a designated impaired water body?	
1. c. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a water body?	Yes O or No O
Clean and Abundant Water: Water Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
2. a. Increase groundwater recharge in identified groundwater depletion areas (http://water.usgs.gov/ogw/rasa/html/TOC.html)?	Yes O or No O
2. b. Conserve water from irrigation system improvements and result in estimated water savings of at least 5% and saved water will be available for other beneficial uses?	Yes O or No O
2. c. Conserve water in an area where the applicant participates in a geographically established or watershed-wide project?	Yes O or No O
Clean Air: Treatment of Air Quality from Agricultural Sources - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
3. a. Meet regulatory requirements relating to air quality or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	Yes O or No O
3. b. Reduce green house gases such as methane, nitrous oxide, and volatile organic compounds (VOC)?	Yes O or No O
3. c. Increase carbon sequestration?	Yes O or No O
High Quality, Productive Soils Erosion Reduction - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
4. a. Reduce erosion to tolerable limits (Soil "T")?	Yes O or No O
Healthy Plant and Animal Communities Wildlife Habitat Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
5. a. Benefit threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, or species of concern as identified in a State wildlife plan?	Yes O or No O
5. b. Retain wildlife and plant benefits on land exiting the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)?	Yes O or No O
High Quality, Productive Soils, Healthy Plant and Animal Communities: Special Environmental Efforts/Initiatives - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
6. a. Eradicate or control noxious or invasive species?	Yes O or No O
6. b. Increase, improve or establish pollinator habitat?	Yes O or No O
6. c. Implement precision agricultural methods?	Yes O or No O
6. d. Properly dispose of animal carcasses?	Yes O or No O
6. e. Implement an Integrated Pest Management plan?	Yes O or No O
Energy Conservation – Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
7. a. Reduce energy consumption on the agricultural operation?	
7. b. Increase on-farm energy efficiency with more efficient equipment?	

7. c. Assist in implementing energy conservation measures that reduce emissions from GHGs and air pollutants?	Yes O or No O
Business Lines - Conservation Implementation Additional Ranking Considerations - Will the proposed project result in:	
8. a. Implementation of all planned conservation practices within three years of contract obligation?	Yes O or No O
8. b. Improvement of existing conservation practices or conservation systems already in place at the time the application is accepted, or will complete an existing conservation system?	
Does the applicant meet the following conditions:	
9. a. If the applicant has an existing EQIP contract, has it been, and is it now, on schedule and in full compliance?	Yes O or No O
9. b. Did the applicant successfully complete any past contract(s) in full compliance?	
9. c. Is this the applicant's first EQIP application?	Yes O or No O

## **State Issues Addressed**

Issue Questions	Responses
1. 1. Will 3 or more SWAPA elements be treated through this EQIP contract?	Yes O or No O
2. 2. Will all contracted practices be management, vegetative or non-engineering type practices, or if engineering practices are included will the participant supply the engineering design certified by a licensed professional engineer?(This includes producer-selected TSP designs)	Yes O or No O
3. 3. Will practices be implemented to treat surface water quality concerns in a planning unit that is immediately adjacent to a 303d listed (category 4 or 5) waterbody, as shown on the WA DOE web-based map? (http://apps.ecy.wa.gov/wqawa/viewer.htm)	
4. 4. Will the initial contract length be limited to 5 years or less?)	Yes O or No O
5. 5. Will contracted practices assist the producer in complying with AFO/CFO, Tribal or Forest Practices Act laws and regulations, or the Food Quality Protection Act?	Yes O or No O
6. Is applicant certified as Socially Disadvantaged, Beginning, or Limited Resource Farmer/Rancher?	Yes O or No O

#### **Local Issues Addressed**

Issue Questions	
Cropland - Irrigated GWMA Application Category Select all that apply	
1. 1. Cropland - Irrigated GWMA Application Category Will the practices entered for the application address the GWMA resource priority "Water Quality- sedimentation, excess nutrients & organics, and pesticides"? Enter "yes" for applications containing any of the following NRCS practice codes, 441- Surface to trickle and drip irrigation, 442- Surface to sprinkler irrigation, 590-nutrient management, 595-pesticide management. 250 Point(s)	Yes O or No O
2. 2. Cropland - Irrigated GWMA Application Category Applicant has not had an EQIP (General) contract in the past five years? 25 Point(s)	Yes O or No O
Cropland – Irrigated GWMA Application Category select "yes" only one time for next 2	
3. 3. Cropland - Irrigated GWMA Application Category	
4. 4. Cropland - Irrigated GWMA Application Category	Yes O or No O

#### Land Use:

Resource Concerns	Practices

Final Ranking Score:	
National Issues:	
State Issues:	
Local Issues:	
Efficiency:	

This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

	Applicant Signature Not Required on this report for Contract Development unless required by State policy:
Signature Date:	Signature Date: